REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office action of April 17, 2008. The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect to prosecute one of three groups of claims identified in the Office Action. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant respectfully elects to prosecute the claims of Group III, corresponding to claims 28-29, and 31-33, without traverse.

In addition, Applicant elects Species 1b, wherein the chemically defined HIF-1 inhibitor compound species selected for examination in the present application are:

wherein Ar₁, and Ar₂ have the structure:

$$R_4$$
 R_3
 R_5
 R_6 R_7

and wherein R₁₋₇ are each hydrogen

and the species

wherein R2, R10, R11, and R13 are each hydrogen. Applicants further assert that the elected claims 28-29, and 31-33 read on the elected species.

Applicant expressly reserves the right to present the non-elected claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequent to the present application. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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